Irregularities in the expenditure in AIIMS

*334. SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY:

SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH MALIK:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the press report appearing in "The Hindustan Times" dated the 27th May, 1987 wherein it has been stated that some glaring irregularities in the working of the A.I.I.M.S. including excessive expenditure and diversion of plan funds have come to notice;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) whether any action has since been taken by Government in regard thereto; and

(d) what steps are being taken by Government to improve the working of this Institution?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) The irregularities pointed out in the press report, and the action taken thereon as well as steps taken to improve the working of the Institute are given in the Statement laid on the Table of the Sabha. [*See* Appendix CXLII, Annexure No. 113]

Sharing of telephone facility in multi-storeyed complexes

*335. PROF. B. RAMACHANDRA RAO:

SHRI G. SWAMY NAIK:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are planning to introduce 'Share your telephone' scheme in multi-storeyed complexes;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) whether Government are contemplating to amend the Indian Telegraph Act; and

(d) whether Housing agencies and Housing Cooperatives are proposed to be encouraged to provide this facility as part of the common facilities like electricity, water, sanitation, watch and ward, maintenance of lifts etc.?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) to (d) There is no proposal under consideration of the Government, for introduction of 'Share your telephone' scheme in multi-storeyed complexes. However, a proposal for permitting Group PABXs to be owned and operated by a firm or a Cooperative Society for use of group of offices, Departments, Commercial and Industrial establishments or residents in a multi-storeyed building is under consideration of the Government. The details of the scheme have not yet been finalised.

Centrally sponsored scheme for vocational education

*336. SHRI SHANTI TYAGI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether a centrally sponsored scheme is being launched from the current academic year for vocational education;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) what is the role of the State Governments under the scheme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) to (c) A centrally sponsored scheme for vocationalisation of education at plus 2 stage is intended to be started from the current year. The scheme is being finalised. Since the schools are mostly set up and financially supported by the State Governments and the regulatory functions also vest in the